

**SATELLITE BROADCASTING SYSTEM
EMPLOYING CHANNEL SWITCHING**

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A satellite broadcasting system includes a
5 multi-channel transmitter and a multi-channel
receiver. The transmitter transmits data signals on
first and second communication channels via
satellite, and the receiver receives the data
signals on the first and second communication
10 channels. The receiver includes a tuner responsive
to a selected communication channel indication for
tuning in a particular one of the first and second
communication channels identified by the selected
communication channel indication. The transmitter
15 transmits to the receiver on the particular
communication channel based on the selected
communication channel indication.